
ing in early July I sat with my sister, Tady Emily, by the side of the river. Nature had donned her summer dress; the river flowed silently away between banks in green dresses, trimmed with rushes, among which the water-diaonds sparkled in the sunshine. Great trees hung lovingly over the clear water, gazing at their finery mirrored in its depths, as if they would never tire of admiring themselves in their beautiful summer clothing. This is Lady Emily's description of the scene. I was busy fishing. There seemed no one in the world but ourselves and the files.

"Where is Tommy this morning?" inquired, rescuing my hook from the interior of a misguided fish. omerged from a parasol, gehind which she had retreated during the operation. She said I reminded her of Nero on such

"I have sent him into the village to do some shopping for me," she explained. I whistled softly.

Three miles in the heat! Great is the power of love!"

"I am a little worried about him, Baid Emily.

"Oh, he'll be all right! Ice applied to the head works wonders," I remarked,

cheerfully.
"It's not that; but—but I believe he is going to propose."

'I should not think so," I said, judicially, "His feelings, when he returns from the village, very hot and tired, will be rather those of hatred of the tyrant who sent him on such a journey. 'I shall mix him some oatmeal wa

"And add insult to injury."

"Then probably he will propose. Matters seem to have gone far. "But it will upset everything if he

does," said Emily, plaintively. "Why?" I inquired. cause-it's impossible, of course

and he'll go away, and I shall be without any one to-to-fetch things from the village." "Oh!" I remarked. I could have said

more, but it was too hot. I did not approve of Emily's sentiments. "Can you suggest a way to put it off?" she asked, tying knots in the

erime." I said, with an assumption of anger, aided by the persistent efforts of the flies to make a promenade of my

nose. "Don't be silly! - He'll get over it all "right:" "Oh; if you think he's not really in

earnest-"He is: I know he is."

- Emily sat in meditation for a few mo ments. Then she said wearily, "It's too

"I could tell him your real character, I said, taking pity on her distress 'You're horrid!

"I meant it kindly," said I, and re turned to my fishing.

"Shall I awaken the echoes of the

past?" said I, presently I began to count the echoes on my fingers, "Charley Murgrave! Lord Harvey!"—and so on, until I began again at my thumb. Then, Emily interfered.

On reflection, I did not dare. To recount the punishment which she has at Marious times inflicted on a loving brother would be but to revive the horrors of the Spanish inquisition

For a time a neighboring cuckoo mo nopolized the conversation.

Then Emily said, "There's Tommy.

'A white figure was crossing a bridge a little way higher up the river. There was a weariness in his gait that went to my heart, and I seemed to see in my-self the totrture of thirst that must possess him.
"You are going to meet him?" I in-

quired, seeing Emily rise.

"Yes," she replied, giving herself that wonderful little shake with which a woman can banish all disorder from "Are you armed?" I asked anxiously.

"The man must be despera patmeal water-"

Emily paused in the act of running an enormous pin into her head-or thereabouts-and looked up into my face with a smile. Well, yes-she was armed.

Returning home in the cool of evening. I noticed a letter lying on the table, addressed to Emily, in a hand unmistakably masculine. I was informed that she was out, also that Mr. Boynton was out. I drew my conclusions, and, knowing the favorite haunts of my sister, I took the letter and went out in quest of them. I found them sitting together under the trees watching the fish rising at the files. At least, that is what they said they were

"I hope I am not intruding?" said I.

"Oh, no," said Emily.
"Certainly not-very pleased-lovely evening-warm!" muttered Tommy, in

I fancied he was not quite sincere and proceeded to offer one of my best eigars, as a propitiation. I lit another myself, and we sat in silence for man the blue smoke wrenthed toward and hung in miniature clouds over our heads, to the great discomfort of the neighboring flies.

Lady Emily, not having a cigar to o cupy her mind-and mouth-was the first to break the silence.

I thought you intended to pay a call

this evening?" said she,
"The great charm of this life," I replied, "Is that you never do what you intended to do. It is sufficiently delightful to do nothing."
"To cat the lotus," added Emily,

sighing for no cause whatever. "It would get very slow after a bit, replied u-?5pkdj shrdju shrdishrdirdil remarked Tommy, in whom there

is no poetry.

1 puffed three times at my cigar, thinking dreamily; then I said:

You, Thomas, are like the mountain torrent, foaming and bubbling, dashing itself against stones, and always hur-

From the Skeich: One sunny morn- , rying. I am like the gentle brook in the valley, flowing quietly through the meadows. And both of us reach the same end-both go to the sea, and are

Tommy appeared disconcerted, Emily

"The topic is not cheerful."
"There is nothing more saddening than the close of a summer evening." I repiled. "It always makes me think of things like that.

"Do you want the boat this evaning?" equired Tommy, abruptly. "No."

"Will you come on the river?" he asked of Emily.

She assented, and, as they rose to go, remembered my mission and produced

the letter. "For you, Emily," I said, giving it to her. "I think from the writing it is-

er-well-you know!" There was an infinite subtlety of sug

But Emily stared at me. "Yes, certainly I know!" she said.

'Dally Harwood promised to write to me this week from Paris." Now the postmark said the letter came from London. They departed, but not before Emily had hurled at me, in an Intense whisper, the word "Suly!

I lit a fresh cigar and walked back to the house. Sitting in the garden, some two hours later, Lady Emily joined me Tommy, she told me, was putting the boat away.

"I wonder if you will ever learn to be ensible?" she remarkad, sinking into a chair at my side.

"I am getting very old," I replied, shuddering. "Oh, you are bald, I know!" sald Emily, with cruel bluntness, "but why did you give me that letter, and behave so

coolishly before Tommy?" "I did it for the best. I thought that that-he would think-I paused, feeling that my explanation

was getting a little vague. Well! You thought that he would think?" repeated Emily, scornfully. "That if another man were-er-fond

of you, it would be better to wait a bit to be more sure, you know." Lady Emily regarded me with a lool such as she would have bestowed on a

dumb animal in pain. "Poor fellow!" she said gently,"I suppose you can't help it, yet it seems in-credible. Why, she continued, the gentleness disappearing, "you've drove me to desperation, and he's proposed!

"Forgive me!" I implored. "I suppose you refused him?" "Why should you suppose so?" Emily

asked, with some asperity. "You told me you would."

"Well, I haven't-not definitely. have promised to give him an answer

the end of the week." And presently, she added, softly, "He's awful nice, you know."

After all, a girl manages these things better for herself. All went smoothly for three days, I fished; Emily and Tommy-well,I cannot say exactly what they did. I did not see much of them. But on Thursday morning Emily came to me with a letter in her hand and consternation in her face

"Johnny," she said, "Sorrel is coming

I whistled.

"It's awful!" said Emily.

"The situation is certainly critical. "I asked him to wait a month for my inswer, and it is up on Saturday." "And Tommy?"
"He's up on Saturday, too.

"You have a couple of days in which to make your decision."

"Yes." said Emily and she walked away, with a head bent by a load of care, trailing her parasol wearily/behind her

Friday was exciting; the trio was unharmonious, and I was compelled to abandon my fishing and make a companion of the unlucky swain who happened to be in exile for the moment. To do her justice, Emily displayed marvelous tact, and I could not discover that she favored one more than the other.

On Saturday afte the matter in a manner eminently characteristic of her sex. She told me that the two suitors would do battle for her hand on the tennis court. The arrangement was not made verbally, she

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plained, but-well, they knew there, in the intense heat of the July sun, those two unfortunates ran about the lawn, dodging and hitting, and making themselves scarlet, dripping, and unpleasant to the eye. My sister and I watched them from under the cool shade of the trees, Emily cating huge quantities of ice cream to steady

But Tommy was hopelessly outplayed. Five-lave, forty-fifteen; the ball flow for the performance in honer of the from Sorrell's racket into the corner emperor. The empty has would be an where Tommy was not, and the game was over. The duelists approached, and were given oatmoal water to drink. In the general conversation that followed Tommy reemed depressed, but Sorrell's spirits were high. He had a noisy, selfassertive manner at times which jarred me excessively.

After dinner as I sat smoking in the garden, Emily came to me, holding her

"Which hand will you have?" she in ulred, dropping a little curtsey. "itun away!" I replied. I'm disap-

She held out her left hand, and I say the flash of diamonds,
"H'm!" I grunted, "Sorrell seems to

have made very certain of the matter." Engly knelt beside me and stroked "It isn't Sorrell, you silly old thing." "But-i" I began in astonishment.

"But Sorrell had the six games!" And after she had kissed me three times she added, softly, "but Tommy had the love, you know."

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Which, after all, was a most excellent

A Man Whose Death Was a Relief to the Community.

In Italy a man has just died whos assing bell was a relief to the commu nity. Signor Traversi was an exem plary citizen, a millionaire-it's easy to be that in Italy, with a coin worth only one-fifth of a dollar—the father of two person in his way, but the king of all

sults. He turned his back on his birth place, Milan, because he was defeated in a tax suit, and forbade its name be mentioned in his presence. By was of revenge on the city he retained hi box in La Scala, the famous Milarese opera house, but kept it estentations! empty and closed. When the old Emperor William visited Milan in 1873 the city authorities forcibly opened the box and asigned it to some German officers emperor. The empty box would be an insuit; it was not to be thought of. Tra versi sued the city for damages. Having won a hardly contested case, he had the verdict engraved on a marble table in the wall of his country house.

Traversi was just as famous in No ples, where he had a famous record as a long-winded litigant. The most fam ous of all his suits is the roast-beef case. Having ordered that dish in restaurant, he was told that he could not be furnished, as the supply was exhausted. He protested that the restaurant was obliged to furnish everything on the bill of fare.

Then he went away, and soon return ed with a notary and two witnesses, and had documentary evidence of the absence of roast beef drawn up according to the forms of law. He sued the restaurateur, and after being defeated in two courts was successful in the third. The publican was fined twenty-five cents, the price of a portion of roas beef. Traversi left directions that hi

funeral should be of the simplest possible character and forbade the an nouncement of his death. Appropriately to the memory of such a man, Travet-sl's will is to be contested. His heirs will fight over his wealth as bitterly as he ever contested a case in his life time.-New York World.

Money and Politics.

Baltimore American: Once there was Millionaire.

taminonaire.
His friends said: "What good is youn
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{One Woman's Way of Looking at Some Things.

There are certain odd developments ministers a snub, so-called, does so in n the business woman that to her cooler sisters seems unexplainable. The oler sister may have peculiarities that are absolutely unbearable, but that she can see the inconsistencies of others is a trait shared in common with humanity. Howells, in one of his novels, makes one of his characters go into a detailed account of why he hated evil so furment being that it was because he himself was full of wickedness. That he hated lieing, malice, envy and uncharitableness to positively because he himself was a liar, mallelous, envious and uncharitable. It was not the possession of the trait that gave him a proper estimate of the extent of it in others, for it is a cardinal principle of the poet and philosopher that we dislike most in others the qualities which we ourselves ossess. For that reason it might be argued that it is never good policy to be extreme in views which touch the conduct or failing of others, since the woman who demands that her sex is privileged to jump at conclusions will naturally conclude that the outspoken hatred of some trait is due to the possession of that characteristic. It has gone out of fashion for women to gossip; good form has set the stamp of disapproval upon that form of entertainment. The woman who likes to gossip is deprived of her chief recrea-

tion just at present, owing to Mme. Grundy's determination to be protected. . The ability of good form to stop a certain kind of criticism which expresses disapproval merely is questionable, and envy, hatred and malice with all uncharitableness would seem to find its victims as long as the traits exist.

One would think that the business woman with her mind so full of business duties and the home tasks would ple and appearances. It would seem that the realization of the immense responsibilities that come with duties outside of the home would cultivate a charitable, as well as cautious, disposi-tion and yet it does not always have

that broadening effect.

A little instance a short time ago illustrates a failing that is odd to say the least. Three women, strangers to a fourth, found themselves employed in the same institution. The third day of their acquaintance the four were discussing acquaintances in a neighboring city which the three had made their home. The fourth said, "Did you know Mrs. Blank when she lived in Whilom-"Nor L" said the second, and the third echoed, "I never could bear her." The fourth, shocked to hear one of the noblest and most refined of women so harshly spoken of, with a touch of anger that one of her best friends should be so uncharitably Well. I never could imagine any one loving her," was probably able to gauge the true status of affairs when the first woman said, "Oh, I never met her;" "Nor I, said the second, "I just did not like her style"; while the third explained that she had been introduced to the lady in question at a chance meeting; that she had acknowledged and had never spoken with her the sec fact that the woman under discussion manly woman, and her very assumption of the dignity which was inherent about her that were the more remarkable because they were business wo-

No one learns quicker than the bustness woman that the woman who ad- true worth-

order to maintain her social position Only the woman snubs whose socia position is in jeopardy. Her status is man who at any time forgets the obligation which demands from times conduct in accord with the ideal of the perfect woman, loses her claim in an equal measure to the esteem of a community. A woman who is less a roman than the one with whom she b dealing, who meets courteous conduct with rudeness, is playing the losing side and yet there are women living who imagine that such a course is com patible with the maintenance of dig nity. Nothing dissipates dignity quicker than the "snub;" nothing re-flects more on the woman's estimate of herself; nothing has so injurious an ef-

The woman who is looking for "snub" and the woman who gives "snub" are two factors that are ani mosities in the world of work as well as the world of society. Both are self confessed incompetents; the one acknowledges that she desires to receive more than she is worth, the other confesses to being worth less than she demands. Both attest the wrong estimate placed upon them by the world at large

The business woman has to develo that rare tact which keeps the woman with the disposition to snub and the one in their proper places. She ascriber the snub to ignorance and the over-fa-miliarity to lack of respect, and seeks to cultivate within herself that element such disposition to treat her other than

gossip, that conversation shall not be of the failings and petty doings of the be conservative in her estimate of peo- individual. It is all very well to demand that on the part of womankind at large there shall be conformity to the decrees of conventionality, and that the individual responsibility does not cease where inclination begins. The derstand in its fullness the demands of proper relation to life, understands the fitness on which it is based, and the longer she lives, the more impressed is she that her life must be such that each individual act may be taken by others as a rule of conduct. It is when the young woman dofles the rulings for which she is not responsible and deems herself able to be a law unto herself that she falls in business and for reasons other than competency. Social demands, even to the accepted manner fo eating ple and pan-cakes, are based on fitness, and the protection of the weaker. It is the evolution by which the least offense may be given in the frietion to which association gives rise. The treated, said in a non-committal way, demands and usages of good form are seldom based upon caprice, and so seldom is it true that a rigid conformity to all is the first requisite of the successful business woman. The accepted definition of the lady and the gentleman is one who never wittingly gives pain.

That means pain to the eye by slovenliness, in dress and gait; pain to the enr by quality of sound, or ignorance and coarseness in expression; pain to, the heart through a disregard for personal feelings, or prejudices, or misfortunes. It demands kindness of heart; a full ecognition of the position which is to be filled and above all a freedom from all the envy, bate, malice and unchartableness which destroys physical beauty, mental polse and moral tone, I heritage of all woman, in business and out. It admits of but one standard, and makes all free and equal It is the only American qualification to nobility, and is the only measure of

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